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In re application of:  
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Conducting Multiplexed  
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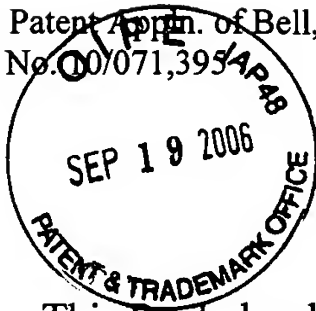
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## Reply

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In Response to the Non-Final Official Action of August 25, 2006, issued with respect to the above-identified patent application, Applicant respectfully requests entry and consideration of the following Reply comprising Introductory Comments, Amendments to the Claims, and Remarks.



## **Introductory Comments**

This Reply has been formatted in attempted compliance with the revised provisions of 37 CFR 1.121. There are no requested Amendments to the Specification.

No fee is believed to be due in order for the timely consideration of this Reply. If, however, the Commissioner determines that such a fee is required, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge any (Large Entity) fee required for consideration of this submission to Deposit Account 05-0460 referencing Attorney Docket No. 0219.0016C.